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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mark S. Chang et al.

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Before the Examiner: Pham, H.

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING CONTACT TO
A FIRST POLYSILICON LAYER IN A FLASH MEMORY
DEVICE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
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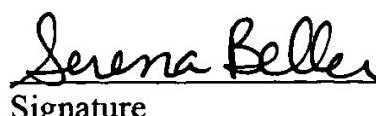
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 10, 2004 (Paper No. 17), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 10, 2005, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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